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Date: 12/15/97 1:39am
Subject: Pay phone Access Fee

I think that the FCC's latest ruling mandating a \$0.30 surcharge for "non-emergency" 800 calls originating from pay phones to be ill-conceived and stupid. How can you tell if a call to an 800 number is an emergency call or not? May doctors use pagers... what if the call to page that doctor MUST be initiated from a payphone. That call will now be delayed those precious seconds in a life threatening situation.

This ruling defeats the whole purpose of the 800/888 calling service. Many providers of these numbers are blocking pay phones from using those 800 numbers. Now what do you do when that is the only phone that you have and you are in a busy airport terminal?? Revert the ruling now.

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This ruling is ridiculous, and is contrary to the principle of having 800 numbers available universally. Now, they are being blocked from pay phones, or the cost of the service which is accessed by the number is being increased disproportionately. Another government imposition in the name of free markets, I suppose?

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From: "Mark Rivera" <Mark.Rivera@MCI.Com>
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Subject: Telecom Act of 1996...

To whom this may concern,

I did not agree at all with the FCC's ruling on the Telecom Act of 1996 (docket No. 96-128) I really don't see how this would be in the best interest of the general public. This is clearly another way for the Bell companies to make more money off of the public. I was under the impression that the FCC was to help out the public. This does not make my business flow any smother. This is a hindrance to my business since 90% of my customers are on the road and are forced to use pay phones. I would ask that you review the ruling and consider making a decision that would be in the best interest of the public. Please remember is taxpayers who provide you with a paycheck. Please make decisions that will make it easier on us.

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The Telecom Act of 1996 (Docket No. 96-128) has mandated that a fee be paid by phone companies (AT&T, MCI, Sprint) to Pay Phone Service Providers for all non-emergency calls originating from pay phones, effective Nov. 17, 1997. Pay phone service providers and long distance carriers will be charging a combined total \$.30* access fee for each call to an 800/888 number made from a pay phone.

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From: Patrick <scorpaen@bellsouth.net>
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i'm really disappointed re: the payphone / 800/ 888 number ruling. as if these companies don't make enough money!!!!

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Subject: This LAW STINKS

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I have just become aware of this rate for use of 800/888 telephone numbers and thinks its STUPID!!! Don't you guys (who I'll get all of the names who voted for this idiotic law so to write you personally plus the lobby group(s) who pimp you.) have nothing better to do?!?

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